Appalachian Farming Systems Research Center

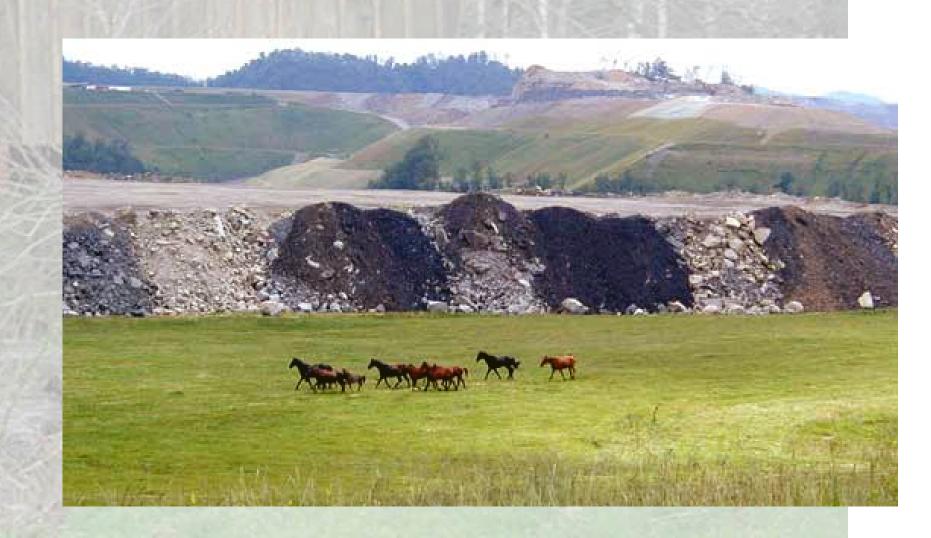
Nonpoint Source Pollution

Nonpoint source pollution occurs mainly through stormwater runoff which picks up and transports harmful substances such as toxics, pathogens, excess nutrients and sediments.

Nonpoint source pollution comes from:



Agriculture
Commercial construction
Urban areas
Golf courses
Lawns
Highway and parking lot runoff
Mining
Leaky sewers, Septic tanks
Underground storage tanks
Forestry practices



AFSRC is developing farming practices that minimize agricultural contributions of nonpoint source pollution.

Pets and wildlife